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September 2022 City Manager Update

This summer has been a productive time for the City and there are many exciting updates to share:

- The Parks Master Plan Update is now officially underway. The consultant team MIG was hired through an RFP process and the Parks Committee will be serving as the Technical Advisory Committee throughout the duration of the project. It's anticipated that this process will take one year to complete.
- The Urban Renewal Agency approved two new District Improvement grant programs, one for existing businesses and the other for new construction projects. Information on these programs is available at [Scappoose Urban Renewal Agency - Business Improvement Grant Programs | City of Scappoose Oregon](#) and questions on eligible projects may be directed to the Community Development Center.
- The Peace Candle rehabilitation is ongoing. The renovations include updates to the wick, signage, new paint and lighting and landscaping around the base of the candle.
- The Grabhorn Park Concept update is progressing based upon the recommendations of the Grabhorn Ad Hoc Committee. As part of the concept development, a wetland delineation and arborist assessment will be completed. These reports will provide information needed to determine the most appropriate location of amenities identified and requested by the Committee.
- The City has welcomed new members to our management team including Police Chief Steven Lougal and Finance Administrator Carol Almer. Additionally, we've also hired new Patrol Officers, and an additional Utility Worker to help us continue to meet the needs of our growing community.

These are some of the key highlights from this summer's activity at the City. If you ever have questions about a specific project, please feel free to contact me. I hope to see you all at the Scappoose Adventure Festival on September 10th at Veteran's Park.

Finally, I want to express my gratitude to Council for their leadership and to City Staff for their hard work and diligence in implementing the vision set by Council. We have enjoyed many successes this past year and I look forward to many more!

Sincerely,

Alexandra Rains, MPA
City Manager



SCAPPOOSE 50 YEAR PLAN

Over the last 20 years, Scappoose has experienced pronounced growth and development. The City wants to better understand how the community will accommodate that growth over the next 50 years. The challenge – and opportunity – is to create strategies that respond to change while maintaining the community’s livability through the preservation and enhancement of assets like Scappoose’s welcoming neighborhoods, civic amenities, and unparalleled access to nature and outdoor recreation. To guide future growth and development, the City of Scappoose is developing a 50-Year Plan.

The 50-Year Plan will include:

- *A 50-Year Community Vision*
- *Technical studies, including an updated Housing Needs Analysis and new Economic Opportunities Analysis*
- *An update to the City’s Comprehensive Plan and Development Code; and*
- *A study of the Urban Growth Boundary and Urban Reserves.*

Share Your Thoughts!

The draft 50 Year Plan Vision Statement is ready for your review! Please take the vision survey to share your thoughts.

Take the Vision
Survey!



Get involved! Visit the project website to...

- **Learn more about the project**
- **Find opportunities to get involved**
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SCAPPOOSE ADVENTURE FESTIVAL

SEPTEMBER 10th
10:00 am to 12:00 am
 Scappoose Veteran's Park 52590 Captain Roger Kucera Way Scappoose, OR 97056

FREE ADMISSION!

- Kick-Off Movie Night (Friday, September 9th at dusk)
- Recreation, Sportsman, Handmade & Service Marketplace Vendors
 - Nighttime Concert & Beer Garden
- Axe Throwing • Family Games & Entertainment
- Delicious Food Trucks & Vendors
- Car Show + More!

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SCAPPOOSE ADVENTURE FESTIVAL

CAR SHOW

SEPTEMBER 10TH | 10AM - 12AM
 VENDORS • FOOD • BEER GARDEN • ACTIVITIES • MUSIC



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5K CHARITY RUN

"RUN FOR NEIL"

Proceeds from the run will go to the Neil Hoffmann Memorial Track Fund founded by members of Neil's family to fund programs for runners at Scappoose High School.

SEPTEMBER 10th | Veterans Park

CHILDREN ZONE

ALL-DAY-LONG KIDS ZONE WHICH INCLUDES FUN INFLATABLES FOR THE KIDDOS (AND LET'S FACE IT, ADULTS TOO!)

SEPTEMBER 10TH | VETERANS PARK
10AM



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MOVIE NIGHT
 FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9TH
8PM FREE ENTRY
 VETERANS PARK

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Watts House Updates:

- Work is ongoing to rehabilitate the Watts House Museum.
- The Watts House will be open on September 10 from noon to 4pm for tours.
- On September 24 the society will be hosting a luncheon for the Dering family. There will be a rose planting in memoriam of the Dering Family.

On September 24th, the Scappoose Historical Society will honor E.P. (Mike) Dering, internationally known nurseryman, and founder of Peterson and Dering Nursery, Scappoose, Oregon.

Mr. Dering was one of the largest employers in Scappoose running a 150-acre commercial rose nursery. Peterson and Dering was the largest rose nursery in the west for many years. At the age of 20 he founded Peterson and Dering. Mr. Dering operated the nursery in Scappoose from 1933 until retiring in 1963.

He was known in this country and Europe as a lecturer, author, and developer of new varieties of roses. Several of his patented varieties were All American Rose Selection (AARS) winners. Some notable roses he brought to market were Golden Slippers, Ebb Tide, Pink Favorite, Oregon Centennial, and Governor Mark Hatfield.

He was a multi-term president and treasurer of the Oregon Association of Nurseries, as well as past president of All-American Rose Selections, Inc., honorary member of the Portland Royal Rosarians, life member of the Portland Rose Society, and member of the American Association of Nurserymen and American Rose Society.

Many of his roses were in the International Rose Test Garden at Washington Park, Portland, as well as noted rose gardens around the world, including Butchart Gardens in Victoria, British Columbia.

He gave away thousands of rose plants to cities and civic organizations throughout Oregon and elsewhere - notably in Scappoose, St. Helens, Portland, and Salem (including the state capitol grounds).

With his wife Amy Kendall Dering they raised a family of five children. Mr. Dering was an avid outdoorsman, and was involved in many community activities such as the school board and several civic beautification projects.

Please join us and his family in celebration of his legacy at the Scappoose Historical Society Watts House memory garden.

Did you know there are some easy ways to pay your water bill ?!

1. Login to your Xpress Bill Pay account, or use auto-pay through your account! There are no fees for this either! <https://www.xpressbillpay.com/#/>
2. Make a one-time payment online through Point and Pay. There is a transaction fee assessed by

City Meetings Calendar

- City Council/Planning Commission Work Session, 50-Year Plan - September 6 at 6:00 pm
- City Council Work Session, Columbia County & Scappoose Senior Center—September 19 at 6:00 pm
- City Council Meeting - September 6 & 19 at 7:00 pm
- 50-Year Stakeholder Advisory Committee Meeting - September 27 at 6:00 pm
- Parks & Recreation Committee meeting - September 15 at 6:00 pm
- Planning Commission—September 22 at 7:00 pm

